

REMARKS

Claims 1-7, 9-12, 14-23, and 25-26 are in the application of which claims 1, 12, 19, and 23 are in independent form. Claims 1-4, 6, 12, 14, 17, 19-23, and 25 are amended. Claims 8, 13, and 24 are cancelled

Objection to the disclosure. The disclosure is objected to for not including a "Brief Summary of the Invention." The Office action notes:

"1. The following guidelines illustrate the preferred layout for the specification of a utility application. These guidelines are suggested for the applicant's use."

Accordingly, including a "Brief Summary of the Invention" is not required, only suggested. Nevertheless, the application is amended to include a "Brief Summary of the Invention." It is noted that the claims define the inventions, not the "Brief Summary of the Invention" section.

Rejections based on Fang. Claims 1, 7-12, 18, 19, 22, 23, and 26 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by Fang (US 6,236,697).

The application specification states at page 5, lines 11-14:

"The invention involves SSC tolerant clock recovery circuitry that provides to a receiving gate, an in phase clock signal that is in phase with a data signal and mirrors frequency changes in the data signal and with the SSC transmitting clock which causes the SSC changes in frequency."

Independent claim 1 is amended to recite a spread spectrum data signal and to recite limitations from claim 8 (now canceled).

Independent claim 12 is amended to include the limitations of claim 13 (now canceled), which the Office action indicated as being allowable if rewritten independent form.

Independent claim 19 is amended to recite a spread spectrum data signal.

Independent claim 23 is amended to include the limitations of claim 24 (now canceled), which the Office action indicated as being allowable if rewritten independent form.

Fang makes no reference to spread spectrum and there is no evidence presented that it would be obvious to use a spread spectrum signal with the system of Fang.

The dependent claims are allowable for at least the reasons stated with regard to the

independent claims. There may be additional reasons for patentability for the independent and dependent claims.

Respectfully submitted,

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